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Request Number: 2018-07693

Dear Requester:

This is in response to the above referenced Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request. Specifically, you requested documents mentioning Philip Layfield from January 1, 2010 through present.

In response to your request, staff located 82 pages of responsive records, which were forwarded to this office for a release determination. After careful review, we determined 35 pages are appropriate for release in full; 34 pages are appropriate for release in part; and, 13 pages must be withheld in their entirety. Copies of releasable records are attached.

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, records were redacted or withheld in full from disclosure to you under the following exemptions: (b)(6)

(b)(7)(C)

(b)(7)(F). An explanation of FOIA exemptions is attached.


If you have questions about this response please feel free to contact the undersigned, this office, or the Federal Bureau of Prisons' (BOP) FOIA Public Liaison, Mr. C. Darnell Stroble at 202-616-7750, 320 First Street NW, Suite 936, Washington DC 20534, or [ogc\\_efoia@bop.gov](mailto:ogc_efoia@bop.gov).

Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information, Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001; e-mail at [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

If you are not satisfied with my response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIAonline portal by creating an account at: <https://www.foiaonline.gov/foiaonline/action/public/home>. Your appeal

must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within 90 days of the date of my response to your request. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Sincerely,



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## **Explanation of FOIA Exemptions Used by the Federal Bureau of Prisons**

**5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(1)** protects classified information.

**5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(2)** concerns matters related solely to internal agency personnel rules or practices.

**5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(3)** concerns matters specifically exempted from release by statute.

**5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(4)** concerns trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person that is privileged or confidential.

**5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(5)** concerns certain inter- and intra-agency communications protected by the deliberative process privilege, the attorney work-product privilege, and/or the attorney-client privilege.

**5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6)** concerns material the release of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of third parties.

**5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(7)(A)** concerns records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes the release of which could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings.

**5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(7)(B)** concerns records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes the release of which would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication.

**5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(7)(C)** concerns records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes the release of which could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of third parties.

**5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(7)(D)** concerns records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes the release of which could reasonably be expected to disclose the identities of confidential sources and information furnished by such sources.

**5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(7)(E)** concerns records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes the release of which would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions.

**5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(7)(F)** concerns records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes the release of which could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or personal safety of an individual.

**5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(8)** concerns matters that are "contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions."

**5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(9)** concerns geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.